



# Your CDC COVID-19 Vaccination Record and Vaccination Card

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## Know the Difference between a Vaccine Record and a Vaccine Card

**Vaccine Record** (sometimes called immunization records) provide a history of all the vaccines you received. This record may be required for certain jobs, travel abroad, or a school registration.

**Vaccine Card** is specific to COVID-19 vaccination and is given to you when you get your COVID-19 vaccine.

## What You Need to Know

- At your first vaccination appointment, you should get a CDC COVID-19 Vaccination card that tells you what COVID-19 vaccine you received, the date you received it, and where you received it.
- Keep your CDC COVID-19 Vaccination card for proof of vaccination. Consider taking a picture of your card after your vaccination appointment as a backup copy.
- Bring your card to your appointment whenever you get an additional dose or booster so that your provider can fill in information about your shot.
- If you did not receive a CDC COVID-19 Vaccination card at your first appointment, contact the vaccination provider site where you got your first shot to find out how you can get a vaccination card, or contact your state health department to get a copy of your vaccination record.

## What to Do If You Lost Your Vaccine Card

You can use your CDC COVID-19 Vaccination card or a copy of your vaccination record (digital or paper) as proof of vaccination in the United States.

CDC does **not** provide the white CDC COVID-19 Vaccination card to people and does **not** maintain vaccination records. CDC distributes the white CDC COVID-19 Vaccination cards to vaccination providers and only a vaccination provider can give you this card. **If you have lost your CDC COVID-19 Vaccination card or don't have a copy:**



- Contact your vaccination provider directly to request a vaccination card or to get a copy of your vaccination record.
- If you cannot contact your vaccination provider site directly, contact your state health department's [immunization information system \(IIS\)](#). Vaccination providers are required to report COVID-19 vaccinations to their IIS and related systems. Your state's IIS cannot issue you a vaccination card, but they can provide a digital or paper copy of [your vaccination record](#).

- If you need another COVID-19 vaccine dose and are unable to get a copy of your vaccination card or vaccination record, talk to a vaccination provider.

Please [contact your state health department](#) if you have additional questions about vaccination records. Your local or state health department can also provide more information about the laws or regulations in your area.



### For Healthcare Professionals

Healthcare professionals registered in Vaccine Administration Management System (VAMS) can [access vaccination certificates in VAMS](#).

## Getting a QR Code or Digital Copy of Your COVID-19 Vaccination Card

**Some** vaccination providers and health departments may offer you access to a QR code or digital copy of your COVID-19 vaccination card in addition to giving you a physical CDC COVID-19 Vaccination card.

Contact your vaccination provider or [local health department](#) to learn if a digital copy of your card will be made available to you.

## If You Were Vaccinated Abroad

Learn more about how to [update your vaccine record](#) with vaccines you received while outside of the United States.

## Vaccination Card Fraud

Offers to purchase CDC COVID-19 Vaccination cards are scams. Valid proof of COVID-19 vaccination can only be provided to individuals by legitimate providers administering vaccines.

To report suspicious activity involving fake CDC COVID-19 Vaccination cards, please visit [Fraud Alert: COVID-19 Scams](#)  or call 1-800-HHS-TIPS.

To avoid fraud with CDC COVID-19 Vaccination cards, do **not**:

- Buy fake cards
- Make your own cards
- Fill in blank cards with false information
- Post cards showing personal information on social media

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